## **HOUSE RESOLUTION 399**

## By Faulkner

A RESOLUTION to recognize Dawn Patelke on the occasion of her retirement.

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that the members of this legislative body should honor those outstanding educators who have performed with uncommon devotion and enthusiasm throughout their years of industry to provide the highest quality education for Tennessee's students; and

WHEREAS, Dawn Patelke is one such estimable educator, who has distinguished herself as a professional of the greatest dedication, ability, and integrity; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Patelke has rendered sterling service with the Union County School System for thirty-one years and will be honored for her hard work and dedication on May 27, 2010, in the Union County High School Commons Area, an honor most befitting her outstanding tenure as a teacher, as it recognizes the positive influence she has had on so many young lives; and

WHEREAS, Dawn Patelke began her illustrious teaching career in the Union County School System in 1979, skillfully serving as a countywide general music and band teacher for all four elementary schools; and

WHEREAS, having cultivated a reputation for the utmost professionalism and integrity, Ms. Patelke became the Director of the Horace Maynard High School and Union County High School Band and Chorus in 1988, masterfully leading the band and choral ensembles to numerous superior ratings and inspiring many students to attain All-East and All-State statuses well as countless college scholarships; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Patelke is an extremely talented and compassionate educator, who works assiduously to motivate her students to reach their full potential, both as scholars and as citizens; and

WHEREAS, Dawn Patelke exemplifies the spirit and allegiance to family and community that are characteristic of a true Tennessean; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Patelke truly epitomizes the dedicated teacher who is wholly committed to the highest ideals of public service and quality education for all, and she should be specially recognized; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that we honor and recognize Dawn Patelke for her thirty-one outstanding years of service with the Union County School System, commend her exceptional service to the children of Tennessee, salute her professional expertise and personal excellence, and extend to her our heartfelt wishes for a happy and fulfilling retirement.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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